AN ACT to amend Chapter 455 of the Private Acts of 1953; as amended by Chapter 260 of the Private Acts of 1976; Chapter 213 of the Private Acts of 1990; Chapter 215 of the Private Acts of 1992; Chapter 25 of the Private Acts of 1997 and Chapter 164 of the Private Acts of 1998; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the board of education and the utilities board of the City of Athens.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Article XX, Section 5 of Chapter 455 of the Private Acts of 1953, as amended by Chapter 25 of the Private Acts of 1997, Chapter 164 of the Private Acts of 1998, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the last sentence of such section and by substituting instead the following language:

The newly elected Board of Education members shall be sworn in and assume their official duties at the first Board of Education meeting following the official certification of the election.

SECTION 2. Article XXI, Section 18 of Chapter 455 of the Private Acts of 1953, as amended by Chapter 260 of the Private Acts of 1976, Chapter 213 of the Private Acts of 1990, Chapter 215 of the Private Acts of 1992, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by

deleting the language "four thousand dollars ($4,000.00)" and by substituting instead the language "ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00)."

SECTION 3. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the City of Athens within sixty (60) days of its signing by the governor. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 3.